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Corps announces July 9 change of command ceremony

Walla Walla, Wash, -- The public is invited to attend the Walla Walla District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers change of command ceremony set for 10 a.m. on July 9 at the Marcus Whitman Hotel and Conference Center here.

Lt. Col. Randy L. Glaeser, will assume command of the District from departing Commander Lt. Col. Edward J. Kertis Jr.

Glaeser most recently served as a professor of military science at the University of Missouri-Rolla and managed the Army ROTC program there.

Kertis was selected for a new assignment in Belgium as an engineer plans officer for the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE).

Brig. Gen. William T. Grisoli, commanding general of the Corps' Northwestern Division, will preside over the ceremony. He is responsible for five districts and their work across an area that includes all or parts of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, and Minnesota.

The July 9 ceremony will include the 104th Division U.S. Army band and a ceremonial color guard from the cadet unit of the Junior ROTC at Walla Walla High School.

MEDIA ADVISORY: News outlets planning to attend the ceremony need to RSVP the Public Affairs Office, (509) 527-7020, not later than 3 p.m. on Wednesday, July 7, to arrange for one of a limited number of special access, local news media reserved parking spaces closest to the event. Requests for brief interviews with members of the ceremonial party need to be coordinated with PAO to ensure access opportunities. Media equipment set-up will be allowed until 10 minutes prior to the start of this event.

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